

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANTS:	Scott Costa et al.	§	ART UNIT:	3676
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SERIAL No.:	10/511,410	§		
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FILED:	August 24, 2005	§	EXAMINER:	Zakiya W. Bates
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FOR:	Protective Sleeve For	§		
	Threaded Connections For	§		
	Expandable Liner Hanger	§	CONFIRMATION No.:	6688

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO  
FINAL OFFICE ACTION DATED 16 AUGUST 2010**

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Atty. Dkt. No.: 2725-10105  
Date: October 18, 2010

Sir:

Applicants acknowledge receipt of the Final Office Action dated 16 August 2010, and request that the following amendment and response be entered for consideration:

**Amendments to the Claims** is reflected in the Listing of Claims beginning on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 16 of this paper.